# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# POWER
# LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:130
ANSWERED ON:23.11.2007
RURAL ELECTRIFICATION
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**Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:**

(a) the number and details of ongoing projects for Rural Electrification in each State in the country as on date;

(b) the steps being taken by the Government for speedy implementation of Rural Electrification programme in the country;

(c) whether the Government has formulated any scheme for Rural Electrification;

(d) if so, whether the said scheme has since been sanctioned by the Ministry of Finance; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE)

(a) to (e) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 130 TO BE ANSWERED IN THE LOK SABHA ON 23.11.2007 REGARDING RURAL ELECTRIFICATION.

(a) : There are 235 ongoing projects of Phase-I of Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana (RGGVY), during X Plan which are under implementation. The state-wise details are at Annex-I.

(b) : To accelerate the pace of village electrification under RGGVY in the country, the following steps have been taken:

# For speedier and effective implementation of projects, these are executed on turnkey basis.

# Government of India has set up an inter-Ministerial Monitoring Committee which periodically meets to sanction projects and review progress of implementation.

# States have been advised to set up District Committees to inter-alia monitor the progress of rural electrification works. All the states have notified formation of district committees.

# Wherever the State has desired, the services of the Central Public Sector Undertakings (CPSUs) have been provided for implementation of the scheme. 139 districts have been allocated to CPSUs.

(c) to (e) : Yes, Sir. Government of India had introduced `Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana` (RGGVY) in April, 2005 (during X-Plan) with the aim to electrify all the villages over a period of four years. The continuation of the scheme in XI Plan for new projects is under consideration of the competent authority.

The salient features of the RGGVY are as under: -

1. Under this scheme 90% Capital Subsidy would be provided by the Ministry of Power for electrification of un-electrified villages and intensive electrification of villages already electrified.

2. The scheme inter-alia provides for financing of electrification of all un- electrified Below Poverty Line (BPL) households in the country with 100% capital subsidy as per norms of Kutir Jyoti Programme in all rural habitations.

3. For projects to be eligible for capital subsidy under the scheme, prior commitment of the States have been obtained before sanction of projects under the scheme for:

$ deployment of franchisees for the management of rural distribution in projects financed under the scheme, and
$ the provision of requisite revenue subsidies to the State Utilities as required under the Electricity Act, 2003.

4. Services of CPSUs have been offered to the states for assisting them in the execution of rural electrification projects if they wish to utilize the same.